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But feeble are our best efforts,  
Spent of love! to thee we fly—  
On Thine other brightest prospects rest—  
Silent, and low in dust we lie—  
Silence and we become as bent,  
Silence and thought the mind improve—  
They kindle joy in pious hearts—  
On them descends the "Heavenly Dove,"  
And every Christian grace inspires.  
To Heaven, in Silence, we look up;  
Our heart-told answers, in Silence, rise—

Come, Silence! muse of pious hope,—  
 Come muse the great Redeemer's praise.  
 C. B. B.

**BROKEN HEARTED, WEEP NO MORE**

Broken-hearted, weep no more!  
 Hear what comfort He hath spoken,  
 Smoking flax who ne'er hath quench'd,  
 Brimmed reed who ne'er hath broken:—  
 "Ye who wander here below,

Heavy laden as you go,  
Come, with a grief, with an oppress'd,  
Come to me, and be at rest !"

Lamb of Jesus' blood-bought flock,  
Brought again from sin and straying,  
Hear the Shepherd's gentle voice :—  
" 'Tis a true and faithful saying :—  
" Greater love how can there be  
Than to yield up life for thee ?  
Bought with pang, and tear, and sigh,  
Turn and live !—why will ye die ?"

Broken-hearted, weep no more !  
Far from consolation flying ;  
He who calls hath felt thy wound,  
Seen thy weeping, heard thy sighing :—  
" Bring thy broken heart to me ;  
Welcome offering it shall be ;  
Streaming tears, and burning sighs,  
Mine accepted sacrifice." ANON.

**RESURRECTION.**

"Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation." Such is the declaration of our blessed Lord, and it leads us to consider a more glorious and solemn subject. If we regard the power of God, it is not incredible that he should raise the dead, if we know the truth it is certain that he will raise them.

"I know that my Redeemer liveth," and that He "shall change our vile body, that it may

Man will go down to the grave, and he will rise again. O what a solemn and glorious day upon the purgation of respecting our race, when the trumpet shall be completed, and the trumpet shall be heard through creation, and the dead shall hear his summons and come

What a day of anguish will that be to the ungodly! In the time of their probation they refused divine mercy: and when the season of retribution arrives, they rise to "shame and everlasting contempt." But how glorious will it stay be to the faithful servants of Christ! The stand before their approving Judge, and are rewarded into celestial habitation.

Who shall declare the greatness of the reward to those that have shed a bloody atonement for the

But when they rise in the last day, they rise spiritual bodies. I cannot know at present what these are; but the words of Scripture are clear—"It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body." There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. The raised body will be immortal, pure, the fit abode, through eternal

Here I may rest with unshaken faith. In  
risen Saviour I see the pledge and pattern of  
my own resurrection. He descended into the  
grave; and we shall descend into it. He did not  
see corruption; but thus we shall see. He rose  
again; and we shall be raised by His power  
and shall then be with Him for ever. Such  
the prospect that lies before His true followers.

How painful is the hour of death! How dark  
are the chambers of the grave! Thus I exclaim

and renderings of sadness and alarm, laid upon me  
and my brethren. There was a light. Where was the  
"salvation?" There was a fountain of life. The  
Scripture—"Thanks be to God, which gives  
us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."  
Thou, O Saviour, who hast tasted the bitter cup  
will not forsake me in death; and when the ap-  
pointed time shall arrive, Thou wilt bid me  
slumbering ashes to quit the prison of the grave.  
O my Soul! often think of that day when  
thou shalt see the Lord Jesus as the Judge of all  
mankind; and in the anticipation of it, be it thy  
prayer that thou mayest "know Him and the

power of His resurrection. For it is by His resurrection here as one who shall stand before Him as a triumphant and victorious conqueror. Always remember that the spiritual resurrection of grace here is essential to the resurrection to glory in the last day.

Look often forward, O my soul, to the morning of the resurrection: and let the remembrance of it inspire thee with peace and joy, among the confusion and sorrow of the present state: let it increase thy love to Him who is "the Resurrection and the Life;" and let it urge thee to decision and diligence in the cultivation of thy graces.

But let me carefully attend, for this is the point of true wisdom, to the plain and practical improvement of the subject; giving all diligence to

perfect holiness in the fear of God: holiness both of body and soul: holiness in all my purposes and proceedings; fully persuaded that I shall at last triumphally live in the day of the resurrection, who thus move completely to sin, and rise highest into the light of truth and into the life of holiness.

O glorious and blessed God, grant, that by thy word and Holy Spirit, I may truly know thy Son Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and the life; that, being here a partaker of Him, and following Him in faith, love, and obedience, I may in the last day obtain the resurrection of

be just, and enter on the fruition of eternal  
delight; for thy sake, and through the merits of  
Him who died for our sins and rose again for  
our justification, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.







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